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## BOWLING GREEN DRUG DEALER SENTENCED TO 10 YEARS

BOWLING GREEN, KY - **Antonio Marsonel Wilson**, age 27, of Bowling Green, Kentucky, was sentenced to 10 years imprisonment, David L. Huber, United States Attorney for the Western District of Kentucky, and Paul Vido, Special Agent in Charge of the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF), Louisville Field Division, jointly announced today. United States District Judge Joseph H. McKinley, Jr., also sentenced Wilson to 5 years supervised release. Wilson pled guilty on March 3, 2006, to a drug conspiracy as well as four counts of distributing cocaine base, commonly referred to as "crack" cocaine.

Wilson pled guilty to conspiring with Kendale Markeis Alexander and Terry Lee Alexander and others to possess with the intent to distribute as well as distribution of 50 grams or more of crack cocaine. Wilson also pled guilty to four separate counts of distributing 5 grams or more of crack cocaine. In total, Wilson took responsibility for 66.18 grams of crack cocaine with a street value of \$2,400.

Co-defendants, Kendale Markeis Alexander, age 25, of 1732 Johnson Drive, Bowling Green, Kentucky, and Terry Lee Alexander, age 26, of 5061 Scottsville Road, Bowling Green, Kentucky, were sentenced on March 3, 2006, by United States District Judge Joseph H. McKinley, Jr., to 5 years imprisonment followed by 4 years of supervised release for conspiracy to possess with the

intent to distribute as well as distribution of 5 grams or more of a mixture or substance containing cocaine base, "crack" cocaine. Both defendants had prior felony convictions and were involved in a drug conspiracy and illegal possession of firearms.

Kendale Alexander and Terry Alexander admitted conspiring with each other and other people to distribute crack cocaine totaling 13.68 grams with an estimated street value of \$500.00. Kendale Alexander also pled guilty to aiding and abetting the actual distribution of 5 grams or more of crack cocaine. Both Kendale and Terry Alexander had previously admitted to aiding and abetting the distribution of hydrocodone. Additionally, the two Alexanders had previously pled guilty to possessing firearms and ammunition on two separate occasions after having been convicted of felony offenses. The firearms included a loaded Norinco, Model 213, 9mm pistol, a Hi-point, Model C, 9mm pistol, and an FIE, Model ST38, .38 caliber revolver.

Assistant United States Attorney Jo E. Lawless prosecuted the case. The Bowling Green Field Office of the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF) conducted the investigation in partnership with the Warren County / Bowling Green Drug Task Force, as part of ATF's mandated mission to reduce violent crime and other threats to public safety.